

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2, 4 and 8.

Please rewrite claims 1, 5-7, and 9-14 as follows:

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1. (Amended) A biochemical analyzer for automatically analyzing a specimen, comprising a specimen introducing part for introducing a specimen rack, a specimen rack conveying part for conveying said specimen rack received from the specimen introducing part, to at least two analyzing parts having different functions and applied with function identification parts for allowing an operator to confirm one of the analyzing parts to be intended to be used, said analyzing parts pipetting specimens on the specimen rack and allowing the specimens to react with reagents so as to analyze the specimens, and a specimen storage part for storing the specimen rack for which the pipetting is completed, the specimen introducing part, the rack conveying part, the analyzing parts and the specimen storage parts being independent from each other and being arranged on a floor so that each of them is solely removable, and the specimen introducing part, the analyzing parts and the specimen storage part being arranged and coupled along the longitudinal direction of the specimen conveying part having heights measured from the floor, which are substantially equal to one another, and depths which are substantially equal to one another.

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5. (Amended) A biochemical analyzer as set forth in claim 1, wherein the specimen introducing part, the rack conveying part, the analyzing part and the

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specimen storage parts have heights which are set in a range of 850 to 950 mm measured from the floor surface on which the analyzer is installed, and depths which are set in a range of 750 to 800 mm.

6. (Amended) A biochemical analyzer for automatically analyzing a specimen, comprising a specimen introducing part for introducing a specimen rack, a specimen rack conveying part for conveying said specimen rack received from the specimen introducing part, to at least two analyzing parts having different functions and applied with a function identification parts for allowing an operator to confirm one of the analyzing parts to be intended to be used, said analyzing parts pipetting a specimen on the specimen rack and allowing the specimen to react with a reagent so as to analyze the specimen, a specimen storage part for storing the specimen rack for which the pipetting is completed, the specimen introducing part, the rack conveying part, the analyzing parts and the specimen storage parts being independent from each other, and the specimen introducing part, the analyzing parts and the specimen storage part having widthwise dimensions which are multiples of the longitudinal length of the specimen rack, including 1.

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7. (Amended) A biochemical analyzer as set forth in claim 6, wherein slits are formed in the front surface sides of the specimen introducing part, the analyzing part and the specimen storage parts, at intervals equal to the longitudinal length of the specimen rack.

9. (Amended) A biochemical analyzer as set forth in claim 1, wherein the analyzing parts respectively have front surfaces, and the identification parts are projected from the front surface of the analyzing parts.

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10. (Amended) A biological analyzer as set forth in claim 1, wherein the identification parts are concave.

11. (Amended) A biochemical analyzer as set forth in claim 1, wherein the identification parts have colors different from each other.

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12. (Amended) A biochemical analyzer comprising an introducing part for introducing a specimen, a storage part for storing the specimen and at least two analyzing parts having different functions and applied with function identification parts for allowing an operator to confirm one of the analyzing parts to be intended to be used, for allowing the specimen to react with a reagent so as to analyze the specimen, wherein stages are provided on the top surface sides of at least the analyzing parts, at positions where the operator carries out confirmation, adjustment and replacement during analysis and at a height of 750 to 850 mm measured from a floor on which the biochemical analyzer is set.

13. (Amended) A biochemical analyzer as set forth in claim 12, wherein the stages are projected from the top surface sides.

an 14. (Amended) A biochemical analyzer as set forth in claim 12, wherein the analyzing parts have front surfaces, and the stages have colors which are different from that of the front surfaces of the analyzing parts.

Please add the following new claims:

SUB 15. A biochemical analyzer as set forth in claim 1, wherein said specimen rack conveying means comprises two conveying paths accommodated in a housing, for conveying the specimen racks in different directions.

Q12 16. A biochemical analyzer as set forth in claim 1, wherein each of the analyzing parts includes a take-in buffer and a specimen rack discharge part through which the specimen racks are introduced thereinto from the conveying means and are discharged therefrom onto the conveying means.

17. A biochemical analyzer as set forth in claim 12, wherein said introducing part and the storage part have covers laid at the same height as that of the stages provided to the analyzing parts, measured from the floor.